UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

JOEANNE M. THOMAS-JOSEPH, and family,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No: 2:19-cv-765-FtM-29MRM

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ADMINISTRATIONS, STATE OF FLORIDA, LEE COUNTY BOCC & ADMINISTRATION, and CITY OF FORT MYERS,

Defendants.

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on consideration of the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation (Doc. #13), filed April 16, 2020, recommending that the Applications to Proceed in District Court Without Prepaying Fees or Costs (Docs. ## 10-11) be denied, and the case be dismissed. No objections have been filed and the time to do so has expired.

After conducting a careful and complete review of the findings and recommendations, a district judge may accept, reject or modify the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Williams v. Wainwright, 681 F.2d 732 (11th Cir. 1982), cert. denied, 459 U.S. 1112 (1983). In the absence of specific objections, there is no requirement that a district judge review factual findings de novo, Garvey v. Vaughn, 993 F.2d 776, 779 n.9 (11th Cir. 1993), and the court may accept, reject or modify, in

whole or in part, the findings and recommendations. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1). The district judge reviews legal conclusions *de novo*, even in the absence of an objection. See Cooper-Houston v. Southern Ry. Co., 37 F.3d 603, 604 (11th Cir. 1994); Castro Bobadilla v. Reno, 826 F. Supp. 1428, 1431-32 (S.D. Fla. 1993), aff'd, 28 F.3d 116 (11th Cir. 1994) (Table).

After conducting an independent examination of the file and the Second Amended Complaint for Violation of Civil Rights, and upon due consideration of the Report and Recommendation, the Court accepts the Report and Recommendation of the magistrate judge.

Accordingly, it is now

ORDERED:

- 1. The Report and Recommendation (Doc. #13) is hereby adopted and the findings incorporated herein.
- 2. Plaintiff's Applications to Proceed in District Court Without Prepaying Fees or Costs (Docs. #10, #11) are **DENIED**.
- 3. The Clerk shall enter judgment dismissing the case without prejudice, terminate all pending motions and deadlines, and close the file.

DONE and ORDERED at Fort Myers, Florida, this 6th day of May, 2020.

JOHN E. STEELE

SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies:

Hon. Mac R. McCoy United States Magistrate Judge

Counsel of Record Unrepresented parties